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TO: **Mail Stop: PATENT APPLICATION**  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Transmitted herewith for filing under

35 USC 111(a) and 37 CFR 1.53(b) (NEW UTILITY OR DESIGN PATENT APPLICATION)  
as a new: ☒ utility or ☐ design patent application

for application entitled: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR A VOLTAGE CONTROLLED START-UP  
CIRCUIT FOR AN ELECTRONIC BALLAST

and invented by: Timothy Chen James D. Mieskoski  
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Enclosed are:

1. ☒ Specification with 21 total pages having:
  - a. ☒ Claims numbered from 1 to 20 (3 pages)
  - b. ☒ Abstract (1 page)
  - c. ☒ Drawing (s) (35 USC 113) as follows:
    - (1) ☐ Formal ☒ Informal
  - d. ☒ Total sheets – 6 with Figures No. 1, 2, 3, 4a, 4b and 5  
☒ Oath or Declaration with 3 total pages as follows:
    - (1) ☒ Newly executed and signed ☐ Unsigned
    - (2) ☐ Copy from prior application (37 CFR 1.63d) Serial No. filed on
    - (3) ☒ With Power of Attorney ☐ Without Power of Attorney
2. ☒ Assignment (Coversheet and documents)
3. ☐ Preliminary Amendment
4. ☒ Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503) (should be specifically itemized)
5. ☐ Application Data Sheet
6. ☒ Information Disclosure Statement  
☒ PTO-1449 ☐ Copies of Cited Documents (not required)
7. ☐ Applicant hereby claims the 35 U.S.C. §119 benefit of the filing date of prior foreign application Serial No. , filed in .  
☐ Certified Copy of Priority Document  
☐ Enclose ☐ Will be filed subsequently
8. ☐ Nonpublication Request under 35 USC 122(b)(2)(B)(i) Applicant must attach form PTO/5B/35 or its equivalent
9. ☐ Additional Enclosures as follows:
  - a. ☐
  - b. ☐
10. ☐ If a continuation or divisional application:  
☐ continuation ☐ division ☐ continuation-in-part of prior application Serial No. filed on:  
☐ Cancel in this application original claims of the prior application before calculating the filing fee (at least one independent claim must be retained for filing purposes)  
☐ Amend the specification by inserting before the first line: This application is a application Serial No. filed on which is hereby incorporated by reference in its entirety.  
☐ Prior application information: Examiner Group Art Unit  
For CONTINUATION or DIVISIONAL APPS only: The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which an oath or declaration is supplied under Box 1 d (2), is considered a part of the disclosure of the

accompanying continuation or divisional application and is hereby incorporated by reference. The incorporation can only be relied upon when a portion has been inadvertently omitted from the submitted application parts.

11. ☒ Filing fee calculated and transmitted:  
a. ☒ utility patent application filing fee as described below for the claims as filed less any canceled above

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Ind. Claims	3 - 3 =	0	x \$ 84 =	\$ 0
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<b>Total Filing Fee</b>				<b>\$ 750</b>

- b. ☐ design patent application filing fee of \$330.00  
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